U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION AGENCY INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES:

Declaration of Owner and Declaration of Consignee when Entry is made by an Agent

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security **ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments; Extension of an existing information collection.

Summary: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the Department of Homeland Security will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act: Declaration of Owner and Declaration of Consignee When Entry is made by an Agent (CBP Forms 3347 and 3347A). This is a proposed extension of an information collection that was previously approved. CBP is proposing that this information collection be extended with no change to the burden hours. This document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register (76 FR 75893) on December 5, 2011, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before [Insert date 30 days from the date this notice is published in the **Federal Register**].

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on this proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the OMB Desk Officer for Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, and sent via electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-5806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) encourages the general public and affected Federal agencies to submit written comments and suggestions on proposed and/or continuing information collection requests pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act (Pub. L.104-13). Your comments should address one of the following four points:
 - (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency/component, including whether the information will have practical utility;
 - (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies/components estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
 - (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
 - (4) Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological techniques or other forms of information.

Title: Declaration of Owner and Declaration of Consignee When Entry is made by an Agent.

OMB Number: 1651-0093

Form Number: CBP Forms 3347 and 3347A

Abstract: CBP Form 3347, Declaration of Owner, is a declaration from the owner of imported merchandise stating that he/she agrees to pay additional or increased duties, therefore releasing the importer of record from paying such duties. This form must be filed within 90 days from the date of entry. CBP Form 3347 is provided for by 19 CFR 24.11 and 141.20.

When entry is made in a consignee's name by an agent who has knowledge of the facts and who is authorized under a proper power of attorney by that consignee, a declaration from the consignee on CBP Form 3347A, Declaration of Consignee When Entry is Made by an Agent, shall be filed with the entry summary. If this declaration is filed, then no bond to produce a declaration of the consignee is required. CBP Form 3347 is provided for by 19 CFR 141.19(b)(2).

CBP Forms 3347 and 3347A are authorized by 19 USC 1485(d) and are accessible at http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/toolbox/forms/.

Current Actions: CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the burden hours or to the information collected.

Type of Review: Extension (without change)

Affected Public: Businesses

CBP Form 3347:

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Estimated Number of Respondents: 900

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 6

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 5,400

Estimated Time per Response: 6 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 540

CBP Form 3347A:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 6

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 300

Estimated Time per Response: 6 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 30

If additional information is required contact: Tracey Denning, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 799 9th Street, NW, 5th Floor, Washington, DC. 20229-1177, at 202-325-0265.

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